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TO:

Ethel Rollins-Cross

Director, TC 3700

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Withdrawal of Application No. 10/047,334 From Issue

Ethel,

I am requesting the withdrawal from issue of application no. 10/047,334 due to the latest CAFC Decision, In re John Ngai and David Lin (CAFC, 5/13/2004, 03-1524), which was made precedential on May 13, 2004. The application claims are directed to a coding system (i.e., instructions) comprising indicia that sets forth the time of use of a series of products and the sequence of use of the series of products.

A rejection could be made utilizing at least the U.S. Patent to Collens 4,669,613 under 35 USC 103 in conjunction with In re Ngai and In re Gulack.

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